

Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting Thursday, August 14, 2014

Chairman Sue White opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Sue stated that she reviewed the previous meeting draft minutes and found them to be accurate. She asked if there were any corrections or additions. Mike moved to accept the previous meeting minutes as written. Roger seconded. RCV: Roger - yes; Mike - yes; Sue - yes. Present: Trustees Sue White, Roger Klodt, Mike Lang, FO Mary Rodenbucher, L. Klodt, M. Stauffer, A. Wilson, A. Piggott, B. Murphy, D. Rice

Old Business

Mike has notified Stauffer and Sons that they can begin to work on the Town Hall roof. He has been waiting for tax money to come in.

Roger wants to make it known that the Angel's have refiled their lawsuit against township regarding Moyer Field lights.

New Business

Mike and Roger have nothing at this time.

Sue reported that the arrangement with Bruce is working well. He is working on generic forms for various zoning issues. Sue explained that she and Bruce have set up a three-ring binder sectioned into months with what is going on. Since all correspondence is public record anyone can look at the binder to see what has been sent and what is going on. Sue commented that there is much going on at this time.

Mary asked if there is any update on the web site volunteer. Mike stated that he has two people who can help. He asked Mary to let him know when she is in the office and will have the people come in. Mary stated that all the health updates have been completed. We should hopefully have a quote from Burnham and Flower by the next meeting. Mary placed the July bank reconciliation in the trustee's mailboxes. She asked if there were any questions. Roger moved to approve the July bank reconciliation. Sue seconded. RCV: Roger - yes; Mike - yes; Sue - yes.

Mary received information regarding the 2015 anticipated Local Government fund. At this time it appears we will receive about \$1,153.61 more than estimated last year. This amount is an estimate and could change. Mary also received Official Certificate of Estimated Resources for the proposed 2015 budget. The Budget Commission approved our request to reallocate the inside millage. Mary requested approval of the Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. Mike moved to adopt the resolution. Sue seconded. RCV: Roger - yes; Mike - yes; Sue - yes. Resolution attached.

Mary requested a motion to appropriate receipts 164 - 184 totaling \$55,466.94 and pay warrants 35604- 35639 and EFT/vouchers 233 - 248 totaling \$33,659.05. Sue so moved. Roger seconded. RCV: Roger - yes; Mike - yes; Sue - yes.

Larry presented the Road Department report. Larry reported on road, cemetery, and equipment maintenance. Larry reported on the ODOT salt bid. ODOT bid it out twice and the result is a 300% increase over last year's price. Mike feels with that great increase we should investigate other avenues for salt. Larry stated that they also changed the ordering requirements. Mike is concerned that there could be other issues at stake and feels it is well worth the time to check out other options. Larry stated that we have until August 22 to decline the offer. Mike feels that we should hold a Special Meeting to review Larry's findings. There was discussion about the salt on hand and cinders. Mike moved to hold a Special Meeting on Wednesday, August 20 at 7a.m. Roger seconded. Discussion: Mike asked Larry to have a report of other options. Roger commented that we cannot afford the increased salt price. RCV: Mike - yes; Roger - yes; Sue - yes.

Larry reported that they are still having issues with the mowing tractor. It needs to go back to Witmers for further repairs. Mike will contact the prosecutor about our legal standing with the repair. Sue asked if his concern is that it was not fixed right. Mike commented yes. Larry feels they did not go far enough in finding the problem.

Roger presented the RFD report in Chief Lang's absence. Responses for July: EMS - 36; Fire - 7; MVC - 1; Inc - 2; Tests - 4 for a monthly total of 50 and YTD total of 355. The report included membership, public relations, and training. The department received an EMS grant for equipment and training. The Mogadore VFW purchased an automatic External Defibrillator for 2214. This is a requirement for engines and will also be utilized at the fair. The ISO representative has reviewed the departments training and resources. It will probably take about four months before we know of any ISO changes. Roger moved to appropriate \$625.00 for Collin Edwards and Jacob Keefer to attend the volunteer Fire Training course at Stark State College. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike - yes; Roger - yes; Sue - yes.

Roger reported that the Lions Club approached him about a project to convert the sign in the town center to an electronic sign. They will be providing information. Mike thinks it is a great idea.

Sue spoke again about zoning and wants everything to be very transparent. Sue reiterated that if you live in a house in Portage County and own the house you can get a reduction on your property taxes. It is something that you have to ask for at the Auditor's Office. It is a 2.5% reduction. Alesha asked if age is a factor. Sue stated it does not have age limit but only one house can be claimed. Doug asked it was different from the Homestead Exemption. Sue stated that is correct. Michael asked for name of the form. Sue thought it was the Homeowner Reduction, but stated that the Auditor's Office knows what form it is.

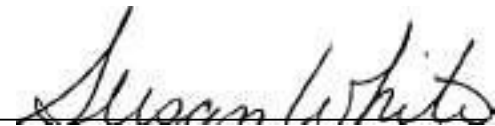
Public Comment

Michael asked about the cost of cinders. Larry stated that is was \$15 per ton delivered.

Dave asked about pea gravel and sand. Larry stated that pea gravel is slippery and will accumulate on the road. Dave suggested the Bassett Road culvert replacement is a little rough and probably needs some asphalt. Larry is aware and working on it. Dave asked about recycling. Roger commented that we are waiting on the EPA for the updated plan. Dave suggested a recycling bin in public buildings. The trustees will take the suggestion into consideration.

John reported that there is a place in Navarre that needs to get rid of gravel. It is very fine gravel. Larry stated that Suffield uses grit. The trustees were in agreement that this should be investigated. John stated that it cannot be used in any other projects.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.



Susan White, Chairman



Mary A. Rodenbucher, Fiscal Officer